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Via ECF

August 5, 2019

Honorable Gregory H. Woods
United States District Judge
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse
500 Pearl Street
New York, NY 10007

MEMORANDUM ENDORSED

Ref.: In the Matter of the Complaint of
Hapag Lloyd Aktiengesellschaft a/k/a
Hapag-Lloyd AG
As Owners and Operators of the M/V Yantian Express
Index No. : 19-cv-5731 (GHW)
Our File: 34505

Dear Judge Woods:

We represent AGCS Marine Insurance Company, Federal Insurance Company and numerous other cargo insurers worldwide that posted General Average and Salvage Security in connection with the January 3, 2019, fire onboard the M/V YANTIAN EXPRESS (the "Vessel"). The fire is the subject of the limitation complaint filed by Hapag Lloyd Aktiengesellschaft a/k/a Hapag- Lloyd AG ("Hapag Lloyd") in the referenced proceedings.

According to the Court's Order (Dkt. No. 12) and Notice of Complaint Pursuant to 46 U.S.C. §30505 and §30511, all persons having claims are directed to file them on or before August 14, 2019. We are writing, with the consent of Hapag Lloyd, to respectfully request a forty-five (45) day extension of that deadline up to and including September 27,

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2019. This is the first request for an extension and will not affect any other deadlines in the case. The reason for the request is as follows.

When the fire occurred, the Vessel was bound for Halifax, Nova Scotia, but it deviated from its intended discharge ports along the United States East Coast and proceeded to Freeport, Bahamas, for repairs. The Vessel resumed its voyage from the Bahamas to Halifax where it discharged its cargo between May 21st and June 1st. Containers that were destined for US East Coast Ports were then transported to destination.

Accordingly, while the fire occurred in January, the cargo was not delivered until June, 2019. In many instances, the insureds and insurers are still in the process of receiving, reviewing and adjusting the claims for damage as a result of the fire. The insurers have some information relating to the insured cargo and its condition, but in many instances are still compiling the relevant surveys, claim adjustments, and subrogation receipts from the insureds. In order to obtain an accurate assessment of the damage(s), and to include all of the relevant information for the affected cargo, an additional 45 days past the present August 14th filing deadline is respectfully requested.

With the filing of the limitation proceeding, the one year statute of limitations to file an action for cargo damage has been accelerated. To avoid having to amend the claims multiple times as more information concerning the losses are compiled, and to ensure the accuracy of any claims that will be filed, an extension of the filing deadline until September 27, 2019, is requested to ensure the orderly processing of the claims and supports.

We have contacted Mike Fernandez, Esq. and Gina Venezia, Esq. of Freehill Hogan & Mahar, who represent Hapag Lloyd in the limitation proceeding. Hapag Lloyd consents to the extension requested. Hapag Lloyd has requested that if the extension is granted, that it be allowed to provide notice of the new date to any "person known to have made any claim against the vessel or the plaintiff" via email. We will file a significant number of claims prior to the present deadline, but the requested extension would be of assistance to many of the European based cargo interests who are making best efforts to comply with the present deadline.

We thank Your Honor for your time and consideration of this request and are available to discuss at the Court's convenience.

Respectfully submitted,
HILL RIVKINS LLP



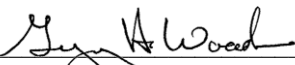
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Application granted. All persons having claims are directed to file them on or before September 27, 2019. Plaintiff is directed to provide notice of this new deadline via email to any person known to have made any claim against the vessel or Plaintiff.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: August 6, 2019
New York, New York



GREGORY H. WOODS
United States District Judge